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Labor Review Highlights April 2014

Seasonally Adjusted

- Kansas gained 16,800 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs since April 2013, a 1.2 percent increase. The state added 16,900 seasonally adjusted private sector jobs over the year, a 1.5 percent gain.
- Since March 2014, the state gained 2,500 seasonally adjusted nonfarm jobs, a 0.2 percent increase. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs rose by 1,900 since last month, or 0.2 percent.

Learn about the difference between seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted numbers here.

Not Seasonally Adjusted

- Kansas gained 14,700 nonfarm jobs over the year, a 1.1 percent increase. Kansas gained 15,500 private sector jobs since April 2013, a 1.4 percent increase.
- Over the month, Kansas added 14,900 nonfarm jobs, a 1.1 percent increase. Kansas added 14,900 private sector jobs since March 2014, a 1.3 percent increase.

Unemployment Rates

- The April 2014 seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Kansas was 4.8 percent, down from 4.9 percent in March, and down from 5.5 percent one year ago.
- Over the month, the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Kansas was 4.4 percent, down from 5 percent in March 2014 and down from 5.1 percent one year ago.
- The seasonally adjusted labor force increased 3,661 persons over the month. The number of people employed increased 4,967 to 1,422,368, the highest level on record.
- There were 10,186 initial claims for unemployment benefits in April 2014, up from 9,669 initial claims in March 2014 and down from 13,187 last year. There were 77,722 continued claims in April 2014, down from 108,777 the previous month and down from 140,862 in April 2013. These numbers include all available programs.

Industry Data

- Seven of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the year job gains. These gains were greatest in:
 - Professional and business services increased by 7,700 jobs, a 4.8 percent gain.
 Growth was mainly in administrative and support services, and waste management and remediation services.

- Construction gained 2,800 jobs, a 5.1 percent increase. The gains were spread throughout the sector.
- Education and health services increased by 2,600 jobs, a 1.4 percent increase, with growth primarily from health care and social assistance.
- Four of the 11 major industries reported statewide over the year job losses. These were highest in:
 - Manufacturing declined by 1,600 jobs, or 1 percent. All of the loss was in durable goods.
 - Leisure and hospitality decreased by 1,200 jobs, or 1 percent, with the majority of the reductions in arts, entertainment and recreation.
 - Government declined 800 jobs, or 0.3 percent, with losses at the federal and state levels.
- Ten of the 11 major industries in Kansas reported over the month job gains. The largest gains were in:
 - Professional and business services increased by 4,900 jobs, a 3.0 percent gain.
 Growth was mainly in administrative and support services and waste management and remediation services.
 - Leisure and hospitality gained 4,000 jobs, or 3.4 percent, with additions shown throughout the sector.
 - Construction gained 1,900 jobs, a 3.4 percent increase, with gains seen in construction of buildings and heavy and civil engineering construction.
- One of the 11 major industries, government, showed no change over the month.

The May 2014 Labor Report will be released on Thursday, June 19.

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